

OYEN WIGGS GREEN & MUTALA

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWYERS
REGISTERED PATENT AND TRADEMARK AGENTS

Gerald O.S. Oyen* Blake R. Wiggs*
 Bruce M. Green* Catherine D. Mutala*
 David J. McGruder* Thomas W. Bailey*
 Gavin N. Manning* George F. Kendor
 Hilton W. C. Sue Craig A. Ash
 Richard A. Johnson Todd A. Rattray
 Grace S. Law Mark A. Hopkinson
 *Law Corporation

480 - THE STATION
601 WEST CORDOVA STREET

VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA

V6B 1G1

PHONE: (604) 669-3432

FAX: (604) 681-4081

owgm@patentable.com
www.patentable.com

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on 21 April 2005.

Amy Truscott

Amy Truscott - Assistant to Gavin N. Manning

C525 0152
GNM/atFAX TRANSMITTAL*This is page 1 of 18 pages*

To: Mail Stop Duplicates
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 *By fax no. 703-872-9306*

From: Gavin N. Manning

Re:

Inventor(s): RICHARDSON, Douglas

Title: METHOD FOR CROSS-CONNECTING OPTICAL SIGNALS AT HIGH SPEED

Patent No.: 6842553

Granted: 11 January 2005

Examiner: KIM, Richard H.

Date: 21 April 2005 Art Unit: 2871

ENCLOSURES

TRANSMITTAL LETTER	1 PAGE
COPY OF COVERING LETTER, AMENDMENT AND	
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED 9 AUGUST 2003	14 PAGES
COPY OF NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR 1.251	2 PAGES

Confirmation: follows by mail; follows by courier; will not follow

In the event of transmission problems, please telephone Amy Truscott at 604-669-3432 extension 9061.

This fax communication is directed in confidence solely to the person or entity to whom it is addressed. The contents of this fax communication may be subject to solicitor-client privilege. All rights to that privilege are expressly claimed and not waived. Any review, copy, retransmission, dissemination or other use of the contents of this fax communication by persons or entities other than the intended recipient is prohibited. If you have received this fax communication in error, please telephone us immediately and return the original transmission to us by mail or destroy same, without making a copy.

APR 21 2005

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on 21 April 2005.

Anast

Amy Truscott - Assistant to Gavin N. Manning

C525 0152
GNM/at

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Mail Stop Duplicates
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in regard to the patent of:

Inventor(s): RICHARDSON, Douglas
Title: METHOD FOR CROSS-CONNECTING OPTICAL SIGNALS AT HIGH SPEED
Patent No.: 6842553
Granted: 11 January 2005
Examiner: KIM, Richard H. Art Unit: 2871
Date: 21 April 2005

Enclosed are:

- Copy of covering letter, Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time filed 9 August 2003; and
 - Copy of Notice Under 37 CFR 1.251

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-1037.

Respectfully submitted,
OYEN WIGGS GREEN & MUTALA LLP

By

~~Gavin N. Manning
Registration No. 36,412~~

Date: 21 April 2005

Oyen Wiggs Green & Mutala LLP
#480 - The Station
601 West Cordova Street
Vancouver, B.C.
Canada V6B 1G1

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

— *The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address —*

NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR 1.251 – Pending Application

The file on the cover sheet cannot be located after a reasonable search. Therefore, the Office is initiating the reconstruction of the file of the above-identified application pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.251.

Applicant is hereby requested to provide a copy of applicant's record (if any) of all of the correspondence between the Office and applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), a list of such correspondence, and a statement that the copy is a complete and accurate copy of applicant's record of all of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), and whether applicant is aware of any correspondence between the Office and applicant for the above-identified application that is not among applicant's records.

The following paper(s) pertaining to the above-identified application cannot be located after a reasonable search:

Amendment documents, Extension of Time and covering letter dated 08/09/03 have illegible text.

Therefore, the Office is initiating the reconstruction of such paper(s) pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.251.

Applicant is hereby requested to provide a copy of the paper(s) listed above and a statement that the copy of such paper(s) is a complete and accurate copy of applicant's record of such paper(s).

If applicant does not possess any record of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the file listed on the cover sheet or any copy of the paper(s) listed, applicant must reply to this notice by providing a statement that applicant does not possess any record of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application.

A printout from PALM of the contents of the file of the above-identified application is included with this notice.

Direct the reply to this notice to:

U. S. Patent and Trademark Office
Mail Stop: Duplicates
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Direct questions concerning this notice to:

Image Assistance Center/ Customer Service

1-(888)-786-0101

PTO Doc. Code: R251.NTC (Rev. 03/05)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Approved for use through 07/31/2006 OMB 0651-0031

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

In re Application of:

Douglas Richardson

Application No.:

09/835543

Filing Date:

04/17/2001

Title:

METHOD FOR CROSS-CONNECTING OPTICAL SIGNALS
AT HIGH SPEED

Direct to:

U. S. Patent and Trademark Office
 Mail Stop: Duplicates
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR 1.251 – Pending Application

Statement (check the appropriate box):

- The copy submitted with this reply is a complete and accurate copy of applicant's record of all of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), and applicant is not aware of any correspondence between the Office and applicant for the above-identified application that is not among applicant's records.
- The copy of the paper(s) listed in the notice under 37 CFR 1.251 is/are a complete and accurate copy of applicant's record of such paper(s).
- The papers produced by applicant are applicant's complete record of all of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), and applicant is not aware of any correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application that is not among applicant's records.
- Applicant does not possess any record of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above identified application.

21 April 2005

Date

Gavin N. Manning
 Typed or printed name Regn. No. 36,412

A Copy of this notice should be returned with the reply.

Burden Hour Statement: This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.251. The information is used by the public to reply to a request for copies of correspondence between the applicant and the USPTO in order to reconstruct an application file. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This form is estimated to take 60 minutes to complete. This time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.
DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

TO Doc Code: R251.RES (Rev. 03/05)

PAGE 4/18 * RCVD AT 4/21/2005 6:56:48 PM [Eastern Daylight Time] * SVR:USPTO-EFXRF-1/4 * DNIS:8729306 * CSID:604 681 4081 * DURATION (mm:ss):05:52

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

OYEN WIGGS GREEN & MUTALA

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS
REGISTERED PATENT AND TRADE-MARK AGENTS
480 - THE STATION, 601 WEST CORDOVA STREET
Vancouver, B.C. Canada
TELEPHONE (604) 669-3432 FACSIMILE (604) 681-4081

TRANSMITTAL SHEET

DATE: 9 August, 2003
TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231
RE: The Application of RICHARDSON, Douglas
Title: **METHOD FOR CROSS-CONNECTING SIGNALS AT HIGH SPEED**
Serial No.: 09/835,543
Filed: 17 April, 2001
Examiner: Richard H. KIM Art Unit: 2882

FAX: 703-308-7724 703-872-9318

Enclosed are:

1. Amendment Transmittal including a Petition for 1 month Extension of Time (1 page); and,
2. Amendment (12 pages).

NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING THIS TRANSMITTAL SHEET 13 14

IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE ALL PAGES OR IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OPERATOR AT (604) 669-3432.
This fax is directed in confidence solely to the person or organization named above. The contents of this fax may be subject to solicitor-client privilege. All rights to that privilege are expressly claimed and not waived.
If you have received this fax in error, please notify us immediately by telephone, and return the original transmission to us by mail, or destroy the same, without making a copy. Thank you.